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SUBJECT: FISHERIES: ICNAF

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1. RE REF A SEVERAL ICNAF DOCUMENTS BEING SENT IN UNCLASS-
IFIED POUCH DUE ARRIVE OSLO FRIDAY FOR TRANSMITTAL TO EVEN-
SEN.

2. RE REF B WE UNAWARE OF DOMESTIC POLITICAL PROBLEMS ON
COD QUOTA THAT RASSOK WAS REFERRING TO. FISHING IN AREA
OF FAROE ISLANDS COMES UNDER NORTH-EAST ATLANTIC FISHERIES
COMMISSION. FISHING OFF WEST GREENLAND IS IN ICNAF SUBAREA
1. COPENHAGEN MEETING ADOPTED COD QUOTA FOR SA1 IN 1974
FOR FIRST TIME. SCIENTISTS HAD RECOMMENDED QUOTA OF 80,000
TONS BUT AFTER SPIRITED DEBATE PANEL 1 AGREED TO TOTAL
ALLOWABLE CATCH OF 107,000 TONS BY TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY VOTE.
NORWAY WAS ALLOCATED 8,000 TONS. NORWAY COD CATCH IN SA1
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HAS FLUCTUATED GREATLY IN LAST FEW YEARS BUT WAS IN

30-50,000 RANGE DURING THE 1960'S WHEN SA1 COD CATCH WAS MUCH GREATER THAN AT PRESENT. IT IS AGREED THAT COD STOCK IN SA1 IS AT LOW STATE AT PRESENT. BECAUSE NO US FISHERIES IN SA1, US DEL DID NOT MONITOR PANEL 1 DISCUSSIONS AND ICNAF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY WAS UNABLE SHED ANY LIGHT ON NORWEGIAN PROBLEM THAT RASSOK REFERRED TO. AS HE RECALLED NORWAY HAD REQUESTED 8,000 TON QUOTA WHICH IT WAS ALLOCATED.
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NOTE BY OC/T: POUCHED COPENHAGEN.

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